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These are fresh, new goods, bought much under price, heavy weight and very fine quality—a remarkable value at the price.

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WOMAN KILLED FOR HER MONEY

Coroner's Jury Proves That, but
Can Offer No Clue as to
Murderer.

That Maria Woodfork, an aged colored woman, who lived at 1533 Blair street, was murdered with an axe was fully established by the coroner's jury which examined into the case yesterday. The axe with which she was killed was exhibited as part of the evidence. There were several witnesses, but none could throw any light on the brutal murder except the fact that it was committed for the purpose of robbery. The old woman was a miser, but none knew the extent of her hoard except R. G. Burnett, a grocer, at 325 South Lombard street, who testified that shortly before her death she made a small purchase at his store, and in making change, dropped an unusually large roll of money. There was a small colored girl in the store at the time, but her name is not known. The body was found by Police Officers Kane and Jennings last Tuesday night after people being downstairs, believing that something was wrong, had telephoned to the Second Police Station asking an investigation to be made. They found the woman dead in the middle of the floor, with part of her clothes torn from her body. But they delayed making an official report of the murder until after 1 o'clock the next day. Then Detectives Bailey, Egan and Smith were dispatched to the house. It was rather late to begin work, but the detectives have followed since every little clue they could find.

Had the murder been officially reported at once, as is required to be in such cases, the detectives might have been able to unravel the mystery before the criminal could so effectively hide his trail.

Believing that the case threw light on the murder of Maria Woodfork, or that she may have been criminal knowledge of the murder, the coroner's jury yesterday afternoon adjourned to meet again tonight at 8 o'clock.

The woman lived on the first floor of the same house in which the aged negroess was murdered. The coroner's jury was stated last night that the coroner's officers would work up other cases which have come to their knowledge, and it is expected that the mystery may soon be cleared away.

B'NAI BRITH MEETING

Interesting Program at Beth Anahab Synagogue on Friday Night. There will be a very interesting meeting at Beth Anahab Synagogue on Friday evening. The Order of B'nei B'rith, the most religious and Jewish organization in the world, will observe B'nei B'rith Day with a very large attendance of members and guests. The regular evening service will be held, and the sermon will be held, and immediately upon its conclusion the program of the evening will be given. The speakers will be: Julius Kahn, Congressman from Virginia; Dr. J. H. T. Smith, a distinguished physician, one of the most distinguished and able of the representatives at Washington.

The services will begin at 8:15 o'clock. The meeting is open to the general public, and all are invited to attend.

HAD GOOD YEAR

Virginia Fire and Marine Company. The Virginia Fire and Marine Insurance Company held its seventeenth annual meeting yesterday afternoon at the offices of the company. The report for the year 1910 showed that the company had added to the surplus fund, making a total of \$1,250,000. The par value of the stock is \$25 per share, and the book value of the stock at \$33 per share.

All directors were re-elected. William H. Palmer, Jr., taking the place of the late W. O. Nolting. The officers of the company are: President, W. H. Palmer, Jr.; Vice President, R. A. Adams; Secretary, George D. Pitts; Treasurer, J. M. Leake, special agent.

Southern Railway Earnings. Estimated earnings of the Southern Railway for the month of February show an increase of \$45,426 as compared with the corresponding week last year.

CUT GLASS.

We are showing many new and beautiful pieces most appropriate for wedding gifts at prices from

\$1.50 to \$60.00.
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SOUTHSIDE FIRE QUICKLY WHIPPED

Blaze at Bainbridge Street Public School Threatened to Be Serious.

Fire of unknown origin last night slightly damaged the Bainbridge Street public school, South Richmond, before the department was able to subdue it. The fire was confined entirely to the west side of the building, and in the classroom of Miss Clara O'Brien. The loss, \$150, is completely covered by insurance.

Some one passing the building about 10:30 discovered smoke pouring out, and immediately communicated with the police station. Quick investigation showed a considerable blaze to be raging, and the alarm was turned on. By the time the department arrived on the scene the classroom and one end of the floor was burned out and the smoke was filling the room.

Swift work by the members of the department conquered the fire and prevented the entire destruction of the \$20,000 building. As it was, if the alarm had come in a few minutes later, the wrecking of the building would have been inevitable.

A high examination led to the conclusion that the fire was the result of matches thrown in the way of rats. The spots in which the blaze started was remote enough from the furnace to preclude possibility of defective heating apparatus, and was in reality under the floor of the school room where there is no basement.

As a result of the damage, Miss O'Brien's class will meet this morning, and until repairs can be made in the building in the afternoon. There will be no interruption of school work.

COURT ORDERS PAYMENT FOR ORPHANAGE PROPERTY

An order was entered yesterday in the Henrico county Circuit Court by Judge Scott authorizing the payment of \$1,233 to the Methodist Orphanage and Home for the property at Broad Street Road and the right of way of the Belt Line. This was acquired by the orphanage in connection with the appropriation made by the commission provided satisfactory to all parties. The county supervisors intend to erect a building in the point to receive the congregation of traffic and prevent the use of the property by passing teams. Samuel Waddell was named special commissioner to disburse the funds.

Mrs. Garland Critically Ill. Mrs. Garland, wife of Rev. R. D. Garland, field secretary of the Baptist State Mission Board, who has been ill at the Memorial Hospital for several weeks, underwent a very serious operation yesterday, and at midnight was reported to be in a critical condition.

CONFERENCE ENDS WITH LUNCHEON

Young Woman's Christian Association Hears Many Able Speakers.

With addresses by local and national officers the conference of workers of the Young Woman's Christian Association came to a close yesterday afternoon in the Central Y. M. C. A. building. The last feature was a luncheon attended by 175 men and women, who are interested in advancing the objects of the association.

Mrs. T. Cary Johnson acted as toastmaster, and in a brief address reviewed the work which has been accomplished in Richmond. This was followed by information from Miss Ethel Carter, Miss Florence Brown, Miss Helen Thomas and Miss Emma Hayes. Each referred to the work of the local or foreign association, and declared that the new Virginia-Carolina territory are watching Richmond and keeping an eye on the institution here as a model.

Miss Anna D. Casler spoke upon the subject of "Our Own Field."

Among those present at the special service were Mrs. William Hodges, Miss Maudie Collins, Miss Constance McKelvie, Miss Ethel Carter, Miss Emma Hayes, Miss Helen Thomas, Miss Florence Brown, W. S. McKee, Rev. J. T. Knight, Dr. H. E. Nelson, Mrs. W. M. Strader, Mrs. E. B. Munford, Mrs. L. W. Dashiell, Mrs. C. O. Saville, Mrs. P. Shaw, Mrs. J. P. Jenkins and Mrs. E. B. Valentine.

Complaints Against Negro.

On complaint of Miss Madeline Smith, of 1514 North Twenty-eighth Street, that the negro had trespassed on her premises and assumed a threatening attitude, Robert Fennely was arrested last night on suspicion of being the man.

The alleged offense occurred Thursday night. It was said that the negro was driven away before the situation became more alarming.

THE SAVINGS BANK OF RICHMOND

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REFUSED TO GIVE OFFICERS FACTS

Chapman Beaten in His Home After Intruder Failed to Shoot Him.

THINK IT'S A PERSONAL ROW

Family Tried to Put Detectives Off Track, and Want Matter Hushed.

Shot at by a young man who rushed into the house while he and his family were seated at the supper table, Charles Chapman, of 7 South Summit Street, though he escaped the bullet, was severely beaten last night by the unknown intruder, who then made good his escape.

Chapman and his family were at supper in the combined kitchen and dining-room. When a knock sounded on the door, a child opened it, and a man rushed in with a revolver. He aimed the gun at Chapman and fired point-blank. The bullet went wide missing its mark in the weatherboard. Chapman, grasped with the intruder, and was knocked down and terribly beaten, apparently with a stick of wood which the intruder picked up.

Officers Heard Shot. Detective Sergeants Wiltshire, Wren and Bailey, who were only two blocks away, at Lombard and Blair Streets, where they held Rosa Randall, colored, a prisoner in connection with the murder of Maria Woodfork, heard the shot, and ran to the house. Some one shouted to them that a man had been shot in his backyard, and they hastened their steps. When they arrived at the house, Mrs. Chapman refused to let them see her husband. He had been taken upstairs. On the insistence of the detectives, another member of the household called out from the stairs, but Chapman refused to see the detectives. They at once began to inquire into the shooting, but the only information they could get was that they would be told when they came back. They returned later, and saw only Chapman's son.

Personal Row. After leaving the house the second time, the detectives learned the name of the man who had done the shooting, and committed the assault. They also learned that there had been domestic trouble, and that father and son were said not to be on good terms. There was an evident desire on the part of the Chapmans to suppress the matter as far as they could, and they gave out as little information as possible.

The ambulance was called, and Dr. Turman treated Chapman. He was suffering with a two-inch cut on his forehead, a cut one inch long behind his right ear, and his right eye was closed from a terrible blow.

He got no more information than the detectives as to the identity of the man who committed the assault. The officers are satisfied, however, that they know the man, and a warrant may yet be sworn out for his arrest. They got enough information, however, to make it clear that the attack was due to personal reasons and not for motives of robbery.

BODY IDENTIFIED

Richard Williams, of 15 Denny Street, Fulton, last night identified the aged man who fell dead at Main and Twenty-third streets Monday afternoon as his father, W. T. Williams.

The younger Williams yesterday morning read the notice in the Times-Dispatch of an unidentified man falling dead at the intersection of Main and Twenty-third streets, and at midnight he returned home last night and found his father missing.

He immediately went to Billups's undertaking establishment, The funeral home, and there he identified the body of his father. It was removed to Nelson's undertaking establishment. The funeral will be held at 10 o'clock tomorrow.

The death of Mr. Williams was attributed to heart trouble by Coroner Taylor.

Charge He Attempted to Steal. Charles Wood, colored, was arrested last night on a charge of attempting to steal a package of cigarettes from R. Francione.

Portrait of Davis Now at Library

Best Likeness of Confederate President Added to Historic Collection.

The Virginia State Library has just received two portraits as additions to its collections—one of President Jefferson Davis, and the other of Dr. Walter Reed, the United States Army surgeon who discovered the cause of yellow fever.

The portrait of Mr. Davis was secured at the request of Representative Mann at the request of Representative of the Ladies' Confederate Memorial Society and Lee Camp, seconded by the author of the bill, Mr. Mann, and is the best likeness of the President of the Confederacy having been taken in the possession of that institution. It was acquired by C. J. Walker, an artist at Richmond, and is in the collection of the Confederate Museum, a portrait which was presented by Mrs. Davis to the museum.

The portrait of Dr. Reed was painted by H. M. Wegner, of Staunton, from a photograph, and is pronounced by friends of Dr. Reed to be a very good likeness.

It is hung for the present in the library office, but when accepted by the Library board will be placed permanently in the portrait gallery.

FIVE CONVICTED

Two Negroes Sent to Penitentiary for Selling Cocaine.

Arthur Warwick, colored, pleaded guilty in the Hustings court yesterday to the charge of selling cocaine, and was sentenced by the court to one year in the penitentiary.

Rachetta Taylor, colored, indicted for grand larceny, was sentenced to five years in the penitentiary.

Julia Holmes, colored, was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary for selling cocaine.

E. L. Nash pleaded guilty to the second count in an indictment charging housebreaking, and was sentenced by the court to six months in jail and to pay a fine of \$10.

Blacksmith in Bankruptcy. A petition in voluntary bankruptcy was filed yesterday in the United States District Court by Duncan Livingston, blacksmith, 313 North Henry Street. Liabilities are placed at \$2,666.12, while assets of \$1,134.75 are claimed.

COMMITTEE VOTES TO CUT DOWN FEES

Reduction in Amounts Paid Cunningham and Hawkins Urged After Hearing.

SALARY MATTER IS TABLED

Pollard Urges Some Change to Eliminate Big Profits of Past.

After hearing from a subcommittee which went thoroughly into the matter yesterday afternoon, the Council Committee on Ordinance, Charter and Reform, last night recommended to the Council that the fees of the City Collector of Taxes be reduced from 4 1/2 per cent. to 1 1/2 per cent. for 1911, and that the fees of the Commissioner of Revenue be reduced from 1 1/2 per cent. to 1 per cent. for 1911.

A further resolution looking to investigation into the advisability of placing both offices on a salary basis, in lieu of commissions, was tabled for further consideration next Monday night.

The subcommittee was composed of Messrs. Vanderlehr and Pollard. It heard from Chairman H. C. Pollard, Jr., of the Finance Committee, and from Messrs. Cunningham and Hawkins, City Collectors.

Collector's Profits. Captain Cunningham was vague in regard to the expenses of conducting his office. He made out a schedule, with the aid of a Special Accountant, which showed that he employed one deputy at \$1,300, one at \$900, one at \$720, and one recently retained at \$1,200. He also had a clerk for \$400, and a city clerk for \$1,000. His bond costs him \$25. He kept no general expense account, and had no idea of the total, but it was figured down that the office costs to operate with allowances for extra clerk hire in busy seasons, postage and all other proper items, a total of \$4,320 per year. On this outlay the collector drew last year a total of \$11,000, making his net income from the office \$6,680. The increased assessment, the estimated commissions at the old rate for 1911 were placed by Chairman Pollard and Special Accountant Cunningham at \$13,000, which would make the collector's net profit \$6,680, or 12 1/2 per cent. of the total assessed.

Commissioner of the Revenue. The committee then turned its attention to the Commissioner of the Revenue, who was also interviewed. It was difficult to arrive at, because of the fact that some fees come from the city and some from the State.

On the basis of a report for the year 1910, before the increased assessment, it was figured that the fees of the office from State and city had yielded a total revenue of \$22,331, including commission on real estate and licenses, transfers, and all other items. Cunningham at an annual fixed cost of \$12,400, and leaves as the net profit of \$10,931. That is, the collector's net profit is \$10,931, or 49 per cent. of the total assessed. The net profit at the old rate of assessment, a cut of approximately \$2,500 per year. According to members of the committee, the question exists as to the right of the collector to the fees of the City Collector at any time.

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WANT NO STABLE ON MAIN STREET

Petition to Convert Old Car Barn Into Livery Is Rejected.

REGULATE SALE OF PISTOLS

Pawnbrokers Prohibited Outright, and Other Dealers Must Secure License.

The Council Committee on Ordinance, Charter and Reform, after hearing from many citizens in protest last night, rejected the application of Benjamin D. Kay to convert the old street car barn at Vine and Main Streets into a public livery stable. The barns are the property of the Virginia Railway and Power Company, which had offered to lease them, but would not join in the application for a stable permit. Mr. Kay said he now operated a stable in an alley near Plum Street, and presented a paper from many neighbors to the effect that it was well conducted and not objectionable.

Many citizens in the neighborhood did not see it that way, however, and predicted flies and diseases, noises, objectionable characters, and all manner of unsatisfactory conditions, the protecting citizens living as far away as Grove Avenue.

Should Remove Old Barns. Chairman Umlauf said he was not a crank on the subject of flies and stables, but that he did not favor a public stable on one of the largest public streets, and on a street car thoroughfare. The action of the committee in rejection of the application was unanimous.

Commonwealth's Attorney. Folkes appeared before the committee as an instance of a recent grand jury, which had filed a report on the serious conditions among certain vicious classes, 60 per cent. of whom Mr. Folkes stated, are armed with pistols or some other weapon, bought mainly from pawnbrokers and second-hand stores. The grand jury, he said, was made up of some of the best known citizens of Richmond, and was presided over by Chief Justice W. H. Harrison. It had gone into the conditions among the criminal classes thoroughly.

Prohibit Their Sale. An ordinance prohibiting pawnbrokers from receiving for pawn or offering for sale any pistol, dirk, razor or similar weapon, was recommended for adoption by the committee. Mr. Pollard by the insertion of a clause requiring all dealers in such articles to secure a permit from the Chief of Police. The Chief of Police, who was present, said that no reputable hardware merchant entitled to do business in the city would be guilty in securing a permit, and that in that way he could keep second-hand stores and other merchants of a doubtful character from dealing in firearms.

C. W. Wingfield appeared in behalf of a new brick factory, which desires to erect a brick and concrete stable in the alley between Jefferson and Madison, Main and Cary Streets, the site of the old stable of the horses of the factory, and all construction to be of modern type and fireproof. At the request of Mr. Kahn the subject was postponed until Monday night, to hear from any neighbors who desire an opportunity to protest.

Police Officers Segregation Ordinance. The Vanderlehr segregation ordinance was made the first special order for the meeting on Monday night. The committee, however, did not hear from the domiciliary separation of the races.

The Umlauf traffic law was discussed, some suggestions and changes being proposed by Dr. J. F. Bright, on behalf of the Richmond Automobile Association, which, in the main, approved the measure. The association wanted a fine for the driving of any vehicle by an intoxicated person, and lights on all vehicles. Chris Manning, Chief of the Police Board, urged the prompt adoption of a law regulating traffic. Chief Werner told of some of the congested streets which need special protection.

The measure was then passed by for future consideration with many other papers on which citizens were heard, but which did not come before the committee. The committee adjourned.

POLICE OFFICERS GIVE TIES SET TO TOM KERSE

Police officers of the Second District joined in making a wedding gift to Thomas P. Kerse, who is one of the two men in charge of the automobile service of that district, and the presentation was made Monday night at the time of the 7 o'clock relief. Mr. Kerse has been in the employ of the police department only a few months, but he has become very popular with all the men, and when he surprised them by taking out himself a wife, they determined to surprise him by giving him a wedding gift.

The gift consists of a handsome silver service, which will be suitably engraved. There were no speeches made at the informal ceremony of presentation, but no speeches were needed.

Pardon Is Issued. The Governor yesterday granted a pardon to William P. R. Lockridge, who was convicted of perjury in the Circuit Court of Highland county and sentenced to serve five days in jail and to pay a fine of \$10. Citizens largely joined in the petition for clemency.

LEAVE FOR RALEIGH

Eighteen Physicians Leave to Attend Convention To-Day. Eighteen physicians, all surgeons of Richmond left last night in a special car over the Seaboard Air Line Railway for Raleigh, N. C., where the Tri-State Medical Association will convene this morning. Dr. J. H. T. Smith, of this city, is president of the organization, the membership of which embraces doctors of Virginia, North and South Carolina. The meeting will continue through Thursday night.

Physicians who left last night were Drs. J. A. White, Lawrence T. Price, Dr. Vanderhoof, J. A. Walton, George Ben Johnston, M. O. Burke, A. C. McCall, Dr. J. H. T. Smith, Dr. Terrell, McCaw Tompkins, L. H. Gray, Paul LaRoque, J. A. Hodges, R. C. Bryan, A. G. Brown, C. M. Edwards, Beverly R. Tucker and H. Stuart MacLean.

Marriage Licenses. Marriage licenses were issued yesterday to Arthur Wells and Mary Keys, Walter Wingfield and Margaret Dill, Isaac Michael and Jennie Ross, and Charles A. Green and Mattie J. Priddy. A license was issued late Monday afternoon to Fairfax C. Jones and Margaret E. Graves.

Police Court Cases. The case against James P. Perry, who surrendered himself as a deserter from the United States Army to the recruiting officer Monday afternoon, was continued in Police Court yesterday morning to February 23.

Robert Gaines, colored, charged with carrying a concealed weapon, was fined \$10 and placed under \$100 security for twelve months.

With the Intention Of reducing our present stock we shall offer, beginning this morning—

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| MEN'S TROUSERS, WORTH UP TO \$6.00..... | At \$2.50 pair |
| MEN'S FANCY VESTS, WORTH UP TO \$6.00..... | At \$2.50 each |

Gans-Rady Company

MANY SEEK JOBS ON POLICE FORCE

Already There Are 150 New Applicants for Thirty New Places.

Major Werner is somewhat troubled. He is troubled over a rather serious matter. It is true, but still it is something to be considered. He is looking for a room large enough to hold all the applicants for the police force, for which an increase of thirty men has been granted by the Council. He has seventy men on the eligible list, and already 150 new applicants have come up out of the earth, or dropped down from the sky. They crowd in every corner. They come in droves, in cartloads, and still they come, mopping perspiring brows in an anxiety to get on the police force and secure a salary of \$100 per month, to all out the application blanks and sign their names.

The crowd is as varied as it is large. Nearly every trade is represented by the men who come. There are short ones, long ones, big ones, small ones, brunets and blondes, shaved and unshaven. Many have come, but only thirty can be chosen. Out of the many who have felt the call Major Werner thinks that only thirty can be chosen, and true. But the whole crowd, including those now on the eligible list, must stand an examination, for the Board of Police Commissioners wants to be very careful in selecting the additional men.

A date for the examination has not yet been set. It will be held probably within the next few days. It is the desire of the chief and the commissioners to have the men go on the examination as soon as possible, in time in which to procure their uniforms and outfit. It is probable, too, that the examination will have to be held on the installment plan, as there is no room enough for the whole crowd in the Council chamber or in the hall of the House of Delegates.

In the meanwhile application blanks are being filled up by the dozen, and the examination will not hold soon it will be delayed by the number of men applying.

MORE CAPITAL VOTED

Commonwealth Bank Adds \$100,000 and Elects Bank Director. At a meeting of the stockholders of the Commonwealth Bank held yesterday in the Capital stock was authorized. This increases the paid-up capital of the bank from \$200,000 to \$300,000.

The board of directors was enlarged by the election of the following new members: W. Reed Davis, W. H. Dunn, George Ben Johnston, J. H. T. Smith, Horace Wright and Dr. J. H. T. Smith. Old members of the board are H. L. Denoon, P. C. Christian, George H. Wade, Hugh Deacon, C. E. Cooke and W. L. Walters.

There were no changes in the officers of the bank. The officers are as follows: President, H. L. Denoon; Vice-President and Cashier, W. L. Walters; Assistant Cashier, J. G. Proctor; Cashier of Fulton Branch, John E. Harding; Cashier of Broad Street Branch, F. L. McConnell; Cashier of Twenty-fifth Street Branch, H. P. White.

During the six years of its existence the bank has been most successful. It has paid regular annual dividends of 10 per cent. on its paid-up capital and has accumulated a good surplus. The issue of stock authorized yesterday was largely taken by the stockholders present at the meeting.

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